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SUBJECT: MFA - SOME ANOMALIES

1. POLITICAL FREEDOM CIRCUMSCRIBED: RELIABLE SOURCE INSIDE MFA IN ANGOLA TOLD CONGEN OFFICER MAY 21 THAT ADVENT OF CENTER-RIGHT PARTY (LUANDA 353) IS TEST OF MFA'S RESOLVE NOT TO PERMIT RETURN TO OLD WAYS. PARTY FORMED BY INDUSTRIALISTS AND CLEARLY AIMED AT ATTRACTING MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS OF FORMER REGIME. MFA WILL NOT RPT NOT PERMIT EXERCISE OF POLITICAL FREEDOM BY THESE PEOPLE. "WE DID NOT MAKE A REVOLUTION ONLY TO PERMIT SAME PEOPLE TO RETURN UNDER A DEMOCRATIC GUISE." SOURCE EMPHASIZED THIS ONLY GROUP WHOSE POLITICAL FREEDOM WILL NOT BE RESPECTED. OFFICER OF MOVIMENTO WILL GO TO PARTY TO TELL THEM TO CEASE RECRUITING OR ACCEPTING AS MEMBERS THOSE CONNECTED WITH OLD REGIME. THEY EXPECT THIS WILL CAUSE COLLAPSE OF PARTY.

2. CIVIL ADMINISTRATION: MOST DISAGREEABLE AND DIFFICULT TASK CONFRONTING MFA IS KEEPING ANGOLA RUNNING. LAME DUCK MAYOR (LUANDA 354) AND PROVINCIAL SECRETARIES UNWILLING TAKE ANY BUT ROUTINE DECISIONS. MFA HAS OFFICERS LOCATED CLOSE TO ALL KEY OFFICIALS. THEIR JOB IS TO ACT AS WATCHDOG AND KEEP THINGS MOVING. THIS GETS MFA CLOSELY INVOLVED WITH BURGEONING NUMBER
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WORK ACTIONS AND REQUESTS FOR HIGHER PAY. SO FAR IT HAS BEEN ABLE TO RESOLVE SOME DISPUTES AND PUT OFF OTHERS WITH RESULT

THERE HAVE BEEN NO NOITICEABLE STRIKES OR STOPPAGES OF SERVICE
IN LUANDA.

3. MOVIMENTO'S PRESTIGE AND PUBLIC POSITION: OFFICERS OF MFA IN
ANGOLA FEEL MAY PEOPLE DO NOT FULLY RECOGNIZE POSITION AND ROLE
OF MFA IN COUP. PEOPLE PAY HOMAGE TO JSN, BUT IT WAS MOVIMENTO
THAT PLANNED AND CARRIED OUT COUP, THAT DEVELOPED POLITICAL
PLATFORM AND WIELDS TRUE POWER. JSN IS PUPPET OF MOVIMENTO.
SOURCE SAID SOME GENERALS AND ADMIRALS NOT YET FULLY AWARE THIS
REALITY.

4. COMMENT: MFA POSITION ON CENTER-RIGHT PARTY FIRST LOCAL
INDICATION OF ITS IDEALISM CONFRONTING POLITICAL REALITY.
IDEALISM LOST - SEEMINGLY WITHOUT MUCH OF A STRUGGLE. MOVIMENTO
DETERMINED TO CARRY OUT IT'S PROGRAM OF DEMOCRATIZATION AND
UNDERSTANDABLY WILLING ACCEPT INCONGRUITIES RATHER THAN RISK
COUNTER-REVOLUTION.
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